IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF VIRGINIA Alexandria Division

Patti Hidalgo Menders, et. al.,

Plaintiffs,

v.

Loudoun County School Board,

Defendant.

Case No. 1:21-cv-00669

PLAINTIFFS' RESPONSE TO DEFENDANT'S NOTICE CONCERNING WHAT ISSUES REMAIN TO BE DECIDED IN THIS CASE

Plaintiffs note that Defendant's notice concerning its position on the issues that remain to be decided asks this Court to dismiss Plaintiff's claims for injunctive and declaratory relief as moot. *See* Dkt. No. 71, at 7. This request for dismissal is improper because Defendant has not filed a motion for such relief as Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 7(b)(1) requires ("A request for a court order must be made by motion."). Thus, if Defendant seeks dismissal on mootness grounds, then it must file a motion. In the alternative, if the Court deems Defendant's notice equivalent to a motion, Plaintiffs request a briefing schedule, with Plaintiffs' brief in opposition due July 28, 2023.

Dated: July 2, 2023 Respectfully Submitted,

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